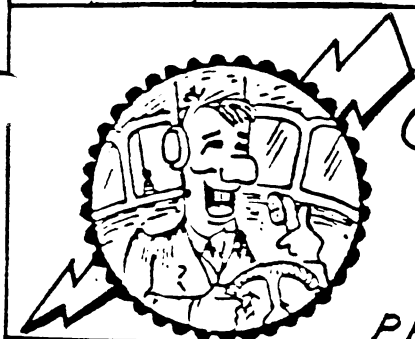


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WITH THE FALLING LEAVES
COME THE HOLIDAYS...
AND OFFICE CANDIDATES
SHOUT THEIR PRAISE!
AND SURE AS THE SUN
WILL REACH HIGH NOON...
PHILMONT ELECTIONS WILL
BE HERE SOON!
SO NOW IS THE TIME TO
CHOOSE HIM OUT...
MAKE SURE YOUR RIGHT,
WITHOUT A DOUBT!
AS PHILMONT LEADERSHIP
IS A MUST!
FOR PHILMONT'S FUTURE,
IS IN HIS TRUST!



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PHILMONT CLUB NETS

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Nets are conducted weekly as listed below. All amateurs are invited to check-in, members or non-members alike, with or without traffic. The nets are informal with net control stations serving on a rotating basis.

All Nets Sunday 10 meters (29.493 MHz) 1000 hrs; 75 meters (3993 kHz) SSB 1020 hrs;
 80 meters CW (3610 kHz) 1030 hrs;
 2 meters FM (147.63/03 via W3QV/R) 0930 hrs.

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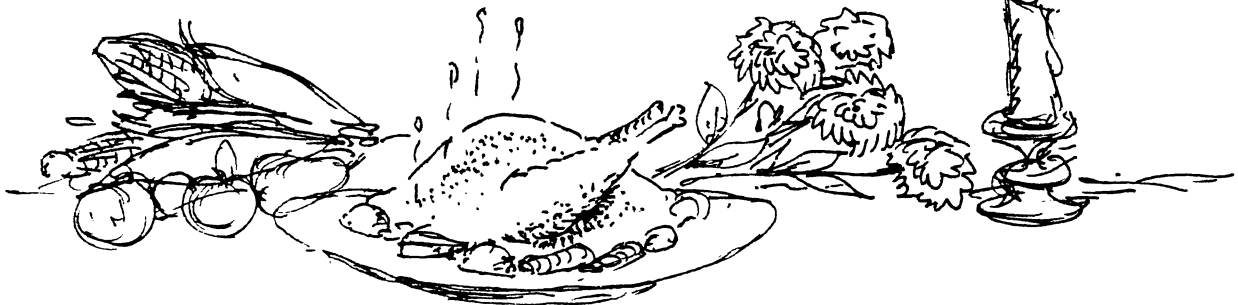
November, the month of Elections, Veteran's Day, and Thanksgiving. It may be that in those three special days we can find a connection that tells us a great deal about our country.

When we go to the polls we may sometimes feel that one vote can't matter much, but consider the millions of dollars spent to influence those single votes. Politicians know that every vote counts and that is why we can have a hand in controlling our future. The obligation to vote is in reality a privilege for which Americans have always been willing to fight, and so we honor our Veterans. We honor them not as heroes, or a special class of people, but as Americans who did what their country asked of them in a time of need.

When Thanksgiving arrives we have much to be thankful for, individually and collectively, but as Americans we can be thankful that we have the right to pick our leaders, and neighbors who will join us in keeping it that way.

de K3KUD

Sam's CORNER



MAY THE COMING HOLIDAYS BE
YOUR GREATEST EVER!

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PREZ SEZ

Over the past months I have grown to appreciate the "behind the scenes" activities of Philmont. No, I am not referring to clandestine forces which secretly run the club, but to the people who see that the job gets done.

It's obvious who they are so there is no need to name them, but I'm grateful for their help.

In this month's Blurb the Nomination Committee will be listed and it will be their job to prepare a slate for presentation at the November meeting. Also, nominations will be accepted from the floor; refer to the "Rules of Elections" attachment to the By-Laws.

If you are called by the committee and asked to run, consider your answer. Don't refuse or accept without just cause. Remember, this could be your opportunity to serve the club in your own way, or to have a better voice in the operation of the organization. It is my sincere hope that we will see some new faces on the Board next year.

Many thanks to Larry, W3UY, and the gang that worked on the Philadelphia Distance Run in September. I have received many phone calls from officials thanking us for the job we did.

In closing, I hope to see and hear lots of "electioneering" from the candidates for 1981. It makes election time really fun for everyone.

de WB3CMM

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Ann White, WB3HVE, is providing a code practice session every Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday on 147.36 at 9:00 PM. Why not join in and pick up that code speed?

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We were glad to see Rollie, W3PWG, at the last meeting. It was expected that he would be in the Naval Hospital for surgery at that time, but the doctors delayed action in order to evaluate the situation for a little longer.

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This is the first BLURB typed on the new typewriter and other than the fact that I must teach it to spell, it is great. Thanks to Jake, AK2I for his part in keeping the crotchety old Editor happy.

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CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER

- Nov. 3 General Meeting; Old Timer's Night. Franklin Institute,
8:00 PM
- Nov. 4 Election Day, vote early and often!
- Nov. 11 Veteran's Day
- Nov. 12 Director's Meeting at AK2I, 8:00 PM
- Nov. 24 BLURB folding at W3BBB, 7:15 PM
- Nov. 27 Thanksgiving Day

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MEETING REPORTS

September Director's Meeting: Held at W3GIF with 16 members present. In addition to the Minutes and Treasurer's Report, the following business came before the Board:

1. The Clambake Committee reported a surplus after all obligations were paid. The surplus (\$54.00) will be shared with the Reading Radio Club on a prorated basis. They will receive \$18.99.
2. There was a discussion as to the feasibility of having a clambake in 1981. No final decision was reached at this time.
3. Larry, W3UY, reported on assignments for the Philadelphia Distance Run.
4. The Program Committee announced that the November General Meeting will be Old Timer's Night.
5. It was decided to issue an updated Directory in December.
6. Frenchy Andrews, W3IRS, was appointed Director to fill the term of W3KN.

At the conclusion of the meeting those present voraciously attacked the refreshments provided by Doris and Al which, as always, were delicious. We were pleased to see Tina Bartol and her daughter, and Dee Moore, WA2NSA, who visited with Doris during the meeting.

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October General Meeting: Apparently suffering from a combination of "National League Playoff-itis" and Monday Night Football fever, our attendance was relatively sparse with 41 members and 8 guests present.

After reading the Minutes and Treasurer's Report, reports were heard from W3BBB on the repeater and Mocom V; W3UY on the Philadelphia Distance Run; and K3KUD on the BLURB. (continued Page 4)

MEETING REPORTS (continued)

Our Prez, WB3CMM, appointed a nominating committee to prepare a slate for the December elections. The committee will consist of W3AWH, W3BBB, W3ZPP, and W3AWG.

The program for the evening was provided by Rob Moore, N2RM, whose topic was "DX'ing From Here and Abroad". Rob discussed current band conditions, advances in antenna development, and their effect on contest DX'ing. Rob also spoke of his part in a recent DXpedition to Jamaica and provided some insight into the political and economic situation on the island.

At the conclusion of his talk Rob showed slides of his antenna farm, those of some other local DX'ers, and the antennas and operating positions at the Jamaican station from which he operated. As always Rob's presentation was thorough, interesting and well prepared.

The evening was concluded by the consumption of coffee and doughnuts provided by the Institute crew.

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The following is a letter received by Ye Olde Ed for publication:

Dear Philmonters:

Your many expressions of sympathy published in the Blurb and sent to me personally are deeply appreciated by the boys and me. It, too was particularly heartwarming to us to have so many of his Philmont friends attend his funeral service.

Certainly, no words from me can tell those of you who were close to George what Philmont meant to him. His key is indeed silent and I grieve for him and for the years of Philmont fellowship that are no longer to be his. I am thankful however, that he was able to enjoy his radio until the last few weeks of his life. I am thankful, too, for the many years of association with the Club and the friendships made during that time which gave George so much pleasure and so enriched his life.

With grateful thanks and deep affection,

Myrna Weed

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When traveling, or trying to contact a Philmonter who is traveling, try the following frequencies:

6:00-7:00 AM	3990	Rooster Net, daily
7:30-7:45 AM	7200	W2FUW, N8DM, weekdays
7:00-9:00 AM	7233	Int'l RV Net, daily
10:00 AM	21230	Philmonters listen
12:30 PM	14235-40	W4NUI, weekdays
7:00 PM	3890 & 7200	Philmonters listen
7:30 PM	29000	Philmonters listen
10:00 PM	3993	Philmonters listen
11:30 PM	28700	Del. County group
-----	3610	CW, W3RM listens

Note: all frequencies plus or minus as necessary.

Tnx to WB3CMM

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THE PHILADELPHIA DISTANCE RUN

On Sunday, September 21, 4500 runners and 12 Philmonters took part in the annual half-marathon. With Mocom V (W3QV) set-up at JFK Plaza and communicators at each water station, in the lead vehicle, along the route, and at the finish line, constant contact was provided between all points and race officials.

Despite some intermod problems suffered by W3QV, manned by W3BBB and K3KUD, the entire operation went well. Time and position checks were relayed by K3PHC in the Press vehicle to both W3QV and to W3UY at the finish line. Two calls for emergency medical assistance were handled by W3QV via Police Radio and requests for supplies, water, and information from the 7 water stations brought quick response from race officials.

While the race was the thing, the unseen effort behind the scenes made it go more smoothly and more safely, and Philmont was a large part of that effort.

To W3UY, W3BBB, W3LKI, K3GYK, K3KUD, K3PHC, KB3CT, WB3CMM, WB3IVC, WB3KOJ, N3AVE, and N3BEX a "Well Done", and thanks.

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Please note the following Directory change:

Larry Clifford, W3UY, new business
telephone
(215) 977-4161

John Tinaglia, W3AWH, is presently preparing and correcting data for a new issue of our Philmont Directory. Anyone who has change information should contact John immediately in order to assure that it will be included.

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Ye Olde Ed had two letters from Paul Ives, W3SMA, in the past few days regarding the proposed change in licensing of First Class Radio Telephone holders. Paul was good enough to send copies of the FCC data on that change, as well as the change in Third Class licensing. Anyone interested in reading either or both is invited to us know and we'll make it available to you.

Thanks to Paul, and we hope that the southward trek of the sloop "Blue Hen" is enjoyable for him and Jerri.

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ELECTION INFORMATION

Excerpt from the Rules of Elections, an attachment to the By-Laws of the Club which has been adopted by vote of the General Membership.

- 1) A Nominating Committee, consisting of at least three (3) members, shall be appointed by the President.
- 2) Nominating Committee members are permitted to run for office, but only upon petition from the membership. The petition must be signed by at least five (5) members and be presented to the Nominating Committee Chairman at least one month prior to the Annual Meeting to be included on the slate of nominees.
- 3) Separate elections shall be held for each office: i.e. President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Director. There shall be more than one nominee for each position to be filled. An individual shall not be nominated for more than one office.
- 4) Nominations are to be announced at a General Meeting at least three (3) weeks prior to the Annual Meeting. Nominations will be accepted from the floor following announcement of the Committee's slate. Nominations shall be closed at the conclusion of this meeting.
- 5) Only members who have previously indicated their willingness to run may be nominated for office.
- 6) No information on the Nominees is to be given out until one month prior to the Annual Meeting. Only those members who have accepted nomination will be announced; all others are to be kept confidential.
- 7) Nominees for each office shall be listed alphabetically by call on the ballot and on any published list.
- 8) After the nominations have been closed, the President shall appoint a Board of Elections consisting of a Chairman and two (2) members. It shall be the function of this Board to supervise the election at the Annual Meeting, carry out the By-Laws and Rules of Elections, and to resolve any problems associated with the election which are not covered by said rules.

The December BLURB will carry a complete list of candidates for all offices and profiles of those running for President and Vice-President.

An Absentee Ballot, with instructions for its use will also be included in the BLURB to provide an opportunity for all members to vote.

NET CONTROL SCHEDULE

<u>NOVEMBER</u>	(W3AWH) <u>80-meters</u>	(W3GIF) <u>10-meters</u>	(W3SRU) <u>2-meters</u>
2	W3PWG	KB3CT	W3WXC
9	W3AOA	W3GIF	W3AWG
16	W3SGR	WB3KUR	W3PST
23	AK2I	W3KDO	W3ZPP
30	W3AWH	WB3CMM	W3BBB

DECEMBER

7	W3PWG	KB3CT	W3IGW
14	W3AOA	W3GIF	WB3CMM
21	W3SGR	WB3KUR	W3SRU
28	AK2I	W3KDO	K3PHC

75-meter SSB Net: 3993 KHz, 10:20-10:35 AM Net Control as shown
 80-meter CW Net: 3610 KHz, 10:30- AM NCS N3WW; Alternates W3RM; AK2I
 10-meter AM Net: 29.493 MHz, 10:00-10:15 AM NCS K3GBA; Alternate K3HIE
 10-meter SSB Net: 29.493 MHz, 10:15-10:30 AM Net Control as shown
 2-meter FM Net 147.63/03 (W3QV/R) 9:30-10:15 AM-Net Control as shown
 2-meter Code
 Practice Net: 147.63/03 (W3QV/R), Tuesdays 8:00-9:00 PM NCS AK2I; Alternate W3ETM

Club Calling Period: Every evening 7:00-7:05 PM 147.63/03 (W3QV/R)

Club 2-meter Simplex Frequency: 147.51 MHz

All Philmont nets are open to all amateurs, members or non-members, for check-in, passing traffic, or making announcements of interest to the club or to amateur radio in general.

At the end of July, 1980 there were 377, 615 individual licensed amateurs in the United States with 388,115 station licenses, according to an FCC report published in HR Reports.

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